

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 11, 15, 16, 20, 21, 25, 26 and 30 have been amended. Claims 4, 14, and 24 have been cancelled without prejudice. No new claims have been added.

ABSTRACT

In the Abstract, the paragraph on page 107 has been amended. The new paragraph has been added.

35 U.S.C. § 102(e) Rejections

Examiner rejected claims 1-5, 7-9, 11-15, 17-19, 21-25 and 27-29 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,334,124 (hereinafter "Bouchard ").

Claim 1 has been amended for clarity, and to incorporate the limitation of claim 4. This amendment was not made to overcome prior art, but to expedite issuance of the claims.

As amended, claim 1 requires configuring search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components; displaying the search indices to a user of a client, the client being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured to perform search using data records stored on the client; providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and downloading the one or more selected search indices from the server onto the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client.

In contrast, Bouchard does not teach or suggest "providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client." Bouchard teaches only that client indices can vary from the server indices.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Adam Furst at (408) 947-8200.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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